

# City of Columbia

701 East Broadway, Columbia, Missouri 65201

Department Source: Public Works

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: June 16, 2025

Re: Authorizing the acquisition of easements for construction of the Garth Ave improvement

project.

#### **Executive Summary**

Authorizing the acquisition of necessary easements for the construction of the Garth Ave (Texas Ave to Thurman St) improvement project. The initial interested parties meeting for this project was held on August 8, 2023 and a second interested parties meeting was held on February 26, 2025. The public hearing was held on April 8, 2025.

#### Discussion

The Garth Ave improvements is a major maintenance street and sidewalk project to be completed between Texas Ave and Thurman St. This project will include reconstruction of failing pavement panels, curbs, and sidewalk sections in various locations along Garth Ave. The project will also include the construction of new sidewalk on the east side of Garth Ave, filling in the two sidewalk gaps between Texas Ave and Thurman St. Finally, the project will include an asphalt overlay along Garth Ave between Texas Ave and Thurman St.

The initial interested parties meeting for this project was held on August 8, 2023 and a second interested parties meeting was held on February 26, 2025. The public hearing was held on April 8, 2025. Construction of the improvements are anticipated to be underway by the summer of 2026.

Acquisition of one permanent street easement and 20 temporary construction easements will be necessary for construction of the project.

The total project cost estimate for design, easement acquisition, and construction is \$1,627,700. The project will be funded with the  $\frac{1}{4}$ -cent capital improvement program sales tax and the county road tax funds.

## Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: The total project cost estimate is \$1,627,700 and will be funded with the <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>-cent capital improvement program sales tax and the county road tax. Long-Term Impact: Routine maintenance.

## Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

#### Strategic Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Reliable and Sustainable Infrastructure, Secondary Impact: Secondary,

Tertiary Impact: Tertiary

Comprehensive Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Infrastructure, Secondary Impact: Mobility, Connectivity, and Accessibility,

Tertiary Impact: Tertiary



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Date	Action
04/21/2025	PH12-25 Proposed construction of street and sidewalk improvements along Garth Avenue, between Texas Avenue and Thurman Street.
03/17/2025	R26-25 Setting a public hearing for the proposed construction of the Garth Avenue improvements between Texas Avenue and Thurman Street.
02/25/2025	Second Interested Parties Meeting
08/08/2023	Initial Interested Parties Meeting.

# Suggested Council Action

Authorize the acquisition of necessary easements for the construction of the Garth Ave improvement project.